

Remarks

The drawings were objected to for not showing every feature claims. However, Figure 1 does show a detector movable relative to the gantry, in that the detector 32 is shown in two positions 32 and 32a. Therefore, replacement drawings are not required.

Claims 21-24 are allowed.

Claims 8 and 26 were neither rejected nor allowed. Clarification is requested.

Claims 1, 2, 12, 13, 25, 33 and 34-39 are rejected as anticipated by Virta (WO 9917659). Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate part of allowable claim 3. Virta does not disclose a motor that rotates with the gantry. Therefore claim 1 is allowable.

Claim 25 recites “storing the series of images in a first location revolving with the detector” during rotation of the gantry for scanning. This is not disclosed by Virta. As with traditional equipment, the images are stored away from the moving hardware in Virta.

Claims 5-7, 9, 10, 14, 15, 17-19 and 27-32 are rejected as obvious over Virta in view of Suzuki (US 2001/0021244). Claim 14 has been amended to include the elements of allowable claim 20. Therefore, claim 14 is allowable.

If any fees or extensions of time are required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1482.

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